

*REMARKS/ARGUMENTS*

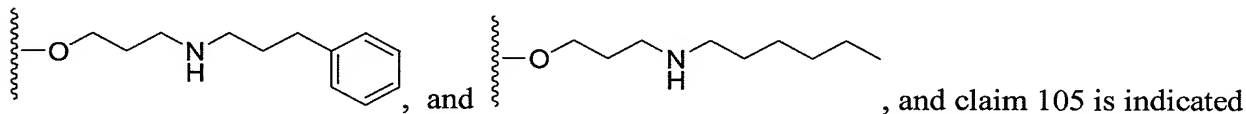
The amendments set out above and the following remarks are believed responsive to the points raised by the Office Action dated May 3, 2011. In view of these amendments and remarks, reconsideration is respectfully requested.

*The Pending Claims*

Claims 2-51, 55, 56, and 58-105 have been canceled. After entry of the amendment, claims 1, 52-54, and 57 remain pending, and newly added claims 106 and 107 are also pending. Claims 1, 52, and 53 have been amended, and claims 106 and 107 have been added, to describe the invention more clearly. No new matter has been added, and the basis for the amended claim language may be found in the original specification, claims, and drawings.

*Allowable Subject Matter*

Applicants are pleased to note the Office Action indicates claim 52 would be allowable if the formula is limited to the compounds



to be allowable if rewritten in independent form including the limitations of the respective base claims and any intervening claims.

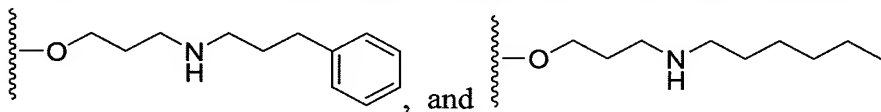
The claims have been so rewritten as noted below.

*The Office Action*

Claims 1, 30, 31, 52, 57, 99, 100, and 102 were objected to as allegedly containing non-elected subject matter. Claims 1, 30, 31, 53, 54, 99, 100, 102, and 103 were rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent 6,413,920 to Bettiol et al. (hereinafter, "Bettiol").

This rejection is respectfully traversed.

However, in order to expedite matters and to allow the application to pass to issuance quickly, claims 1 and 52 have been amended to recite the allowable subject matter. In particular, independent claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of dependent claims 103 and 105, and independent claim 52 has been amended to recite compounds

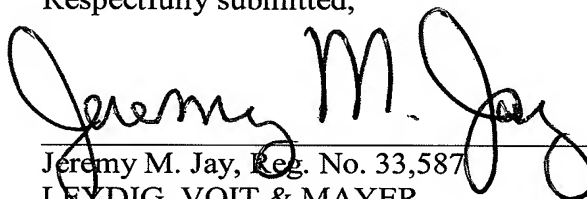


Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance.

*Conclusion*

If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,



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